

Director's Report
Hamburg Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, July 24 @ 6:00 PM
To be held at the Hamburg Public Library

Blood Drives

Blood drives by the American Red Cross were held at the Hamburg and Lake Shore libraries in May and June.

Therapy Dog

On June 15, Kruz, our certified therapy dog, visited the Hamburg Library to share a story with 5 in attendance. Kruz is on summer vacation and will return on September 14.

Scavenger Hunts

Scavenger hunts were held at both libraries during May and June.

At the Hamburg Library, a Toy scavenger hunt, to commemorate the Sesquicentennial, was held with 427 participants.

At the Lake Shore Library, there were 114 participants in May. In June, a Rainbow scavenger hunt was held with 80 participants.

Hamburg Library

Programs offered this month include:

LEGO Club

LEGO Club was held monthly on Wednesdays and Saturdays in June and July with Senior Page Lauren. Children up to 12 years of age participate. In June there were 26 participants. In July there were 49 participants. Their creations are displayed in the Kids Space area during the month.

Book a Technology Trainer

Book a Technology one-on-one sessions were held in June and July with 3 and 5 attendees respectively receiving help. Sessions are with a technology instructor from the TechKnow Lab with sessions scheduled monthly.

Director's Book Club

Book Club was held on June 21 and July 19 with 19 and 18 members respectively. June's book title was *The DaVinci Code* by Dan Brown. Afterwards, the group was treated to the movie. July's title was *A Family of Liars* by E. Lockhart. The discussions are always lively and fun.

Sesquicentennial Events

- **Happy Birthday Hamburg!**

On June 11, Miss Sarah and Miss Laurie put on a Bluey and Bingo program with 63 children and adults in attendance. Children played Bluey Birthday Games, and read a story. Afterwards, they marched down the ramp in a musical instrument parade and were served cupcakes in the café area. Everyone took home a take home Bluey Craft and Balloon. Everyone had a Bluey Blast!!



- **Cookbook Club**

Librarian Trainee Sarah hosted the monthly cookbook club on June 12 and July 17. Everyone chose a recipe from the cookbook of the month and brought it to share. June's title was *Baking Yesteryear* by B. Dylan Hollis with 6 in attendance. July's title was *The Ranch Table* by Elizabeth Poett with 12 in attendance and was held outside in the Reading Garden.

- **Jumpstart Your Genealogy**

On June 13, Librarian Rhonda Hoffman from the Grosvenor Room presented a program on genealogy with an introduction to family history research. As this was a program tying in with the Sesquicentennial, many examples related to Hamburg were used to teach genealogy concepts, records used, and resources available. There were 7 in attendance.

- **History of the Hamburg (NY) Cornet Band**

On June 17, Mark Jones, a historian with the Town of Hamburg Historical Society presented a history of the Hamburg Cornet with 3 people in attendance.

- **Take-n-Makes**

This month's craft was a hamburger.

Family Storytime

Library Associate Laurie did her weekly storytime on Wednesdays in the Kid's Space area with 179 children, parents, and grandparents attending each week.

Baby Bounce

Library Associate Laurie conducted two lapsit sessions for those under the age of 2 on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month with 58 children and their caregivers attending.

Kid Librarian

Librarian Trainee Sarah and Library Associate Laurie hosted two Kid Librarians on June 16 and June 26, Teagan Hagler and Braylan Emhof. The Kid Librarians worked with each to curate a display of a topic of their choice to feature in the Kid's Space area. Teagan chose the theme "Graphic Novels" and Braylan chose "Favorites." Both Kid Librarians created a poster to display with their collection.



First time Homebuyer Seminar

On June 15, a first time homebuyer seminar was presented by Key Bank with 2 people in attendance. Attendees received tips on financial literacy and best practices on being a home buyer.

Lake Shore Library

Programs offered this month include:

Preschool Story Time

Story Time was held with Miss Stephanie from May 15 to July 16 with 136 participants. Themes included Pete the Cat, Pizza, Music, Camping, and Trains.

The Cookbook Club

Cookbook Club met on June 10 with 8 attendees and July 8 with 9 attendees. In June, recipes were chosen from *A Very Chinese Cookbook* by Kevin Pang and Jeffrey. In July, recipes were chosen from *Heirloom Recipes* by Anna Francese Gass. July's meeting was held outside.

Adult Craft Night

Craft Night was held on May 20, June 17, and July 20 with 20, 10, and 3 participants respectively. In May, attendees created velvet pictures. In June, attendees used their creative juices making a creation from items leftover from previous craft nights. In July, the group made pin cushions from baby food jar lids.



Adult Book Club

Book Club was held on May 29 with 9 participants. The group discussed *The World That We Knew* by Alice Hoffman. On June 24, the group discussed *Death and Life of the Great Lakes* by Dan Egan with 7 participants.

My City Smells Like Cheerios – the History of Cheerios

On July 10, Explore Buffalo presented a lecture on My City Smells Like Cheerios – the History of Cereal with 3 attendees. This is the first of three lectures this year from Explore Buffalo.

LEGO Club

LEGO Club is held monthly on Saturdays. This is geared for children of all ages. On June 29 there were 9 attendees. Their creations are displayed around the library during the month.

Astronomy Night with Penn Dixie

This annual event was held on July 8 with 28 children and adults in attendance. Paul Moretti, an astronomer from Penn Dixie was on hand to point out several celestial bodies and constellations. Penn Dixie also provided crafts for the children.



Class Visits

Classes from Bright Path visited May 23 and June 6 with 12 and 10 attendees. Miss Stephanie read stories and the children received a giveaway.

Passive Activities

Playmore

On June 11, a "Playmore" session was held with 6 in attendance. Toys and activities are put out for kids to play with. This is to encourage regular Tuesday visits when Story Time is not in session.

Crafts

These are self-directed crafts for children available in June and July with 45 children participating.

Postcards to Kermit

The library continues to receive postcards from all over the world for our Postcards to Kermit program with an average of about 10/week.

Camp Lake Shore

A different outdoor-themed activity was held on July 11 and 18 with 12 participants total. On July 11, children made trail mix and on July 18 they created adventure books. This program goes along with this year's summer reading theme, "Adventure Begins at your Library".

Outreach

Hamburg Library

Storytime in the Giving Garden

On June 27, Miss Laurie read stories to 59 children and parents in the Giving Garden. The Giving Garden is located on Pleasant Avenue across from Union Pleasant Elementary.

Movie at the Palace

On June 29, Assemblymember Jon Rivera hosted a free movie event at the Palace Theatre. The movie was "How to Train Your Dragon". This writer provided promotional materials and crafts. Other participants included Penn Dixie, Buffalo Museum of Science, and Village Engaged. This writer spoke with 33 children and adults.

Lake Shore Library

Storytime at Bright Path

Librarian Stephanie visited Bright Path twice monthly to read to 5 classes of children ages 1 to 5. She read to a total of 306 children in May, June, and July.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Hoth, Director

Hamburg Public Library - June 2024 Report

Circulation Statistics

	June 2024	June 1 2023	% Change
Hamburg	19,103	18,558	2.9%
Lakeshore	5,855	6112	-4.2%

Patron Door Counts

	June 2024	June 2023	% Change
Hamburg	7,034	7,469	-5.8%
Lakeshore	2,812	2,696	4.3%

Computer Sessions

	June 2024	June 2023	% Change
Hamburg	761	876	-13.1%
Lakeshore	176	192	-8.3%

WiFi Sessions

	June 2024	June 2023	% Change
Hamburg	1,835	1,755	4.6%
Lakeshore	465	449	3.6%

**2024 Financial Report
Hamburg Public Library**

M&T Business Account - Checking

Date		Transaction	Deposit	Payment	Balance
5/9/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	533.65		3,278.78
5/23/2024	4693	Hamburg Village Advisory Council (VBAC) Membership dues		100.00	3,178.78
5/23/2024	4694	John W. Danforth (Filters for Hamburg & Lake Shore)		433.65	2,745.13
6/6/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	599.56		3,344.69
6/6/2024	4695	Rel Comm Inc. (Hamburg Phone System Software annual assurance)		360.00	2,984.69
6/6/2024	4696	ECWA (Hamburg monthly water bill)		33.00	2,951.69
6/6/2024	4697	Guis Lumber (Hamburg Maintenance)		148.94	2,802.75
6/6/2024	4698	Stephanie Molnar (May Travel Reimbursement)		33.62	2,769.13
6/6/2024	4699	Laura Cunningham (May Travel Reimbursement)		24.00	2,745.13
6/10/2024		M & T Bank (June service charge)		7.50	2,737.63
6/13/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	142.76		2,880.39

6/13/2023	4700	Cintas Corp. (Door mats Hamburg and Lake Shore, May)		142.76	2,737.63
7/2/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	884.46		3,622.09
7/2/2024	4701	Waste Management (Refuse pick up 7/1 -9/30/24)		678.96	2,943.13
7/2/2024	4702	Astronomy Night (Lake Shore Program on July 8, 2024)		205.50	2,737.63
7/12/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	411.47		3,149.10
7/12/2024	4703	Stephanie Molnar (June Travel Reimbursement)		16.00	3,133.10
7/12/2024	4704	Laura W. Cunningham (June Travel Reimbursement)		20.00	3,113.10
7/12/2024	4705	ECWA (Hamburg monthly water bill)		33.00	3,080.10
7/12/2024	4706	Cintas Corp. (Door mats Hamburg and Lake Shore, June)		160.00	2,920.10
7/12/2024	4707	Guis Lumber (Hamburg and Lake Shore Maintenance)		182.47	2,737.63
7/18/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	651.92		3,389.55
7/18/2024	4708	ECWA (Hamburg Quarterly water bill 4/1/24-7/1/24)		505.92	2,883.63
7/18/2024	4709	USPS (Postage stamps)		146.00	2,737.63

Final Balance: \$2,737.63

M&T Business Account - Savings

Date	Transaction	Deposit	Payment	Balance
5/23/2024	Deposit (Hamburg fine & printing revenue)	246.43		6,923.16
5/23/2024	Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		533.65	6,389.51
5/31/2024	M & T Interest	0.11		6,389.62
6/6/2024	Deposit (Lake Shore fine & printing revenue, May)	85.34		6,474.96
6/6/2024	Deposit (Hamburg fine & printing revenue)	143.44		6,618.40
6/6/2024	Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		599.56	6,018.84
6/13/2024	Deposit (Hamburg fine & printing revenue)	173.65		6,192.49
6/13/2024	Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		142.76	6,049.73
6/26/2024	Deposit (Hamburg fine & printing revenue)	127.20		6,176.93
6/28/2024	Deposit	0.10		6,177.03
7/2/2024	Deposit (Hamburg fine & printing revenue)	133.35		6,310.38
7/2/2024	Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		884.46	5,425.92
7/11/2024	Deposit (Lake Shore fine & printing revenue)	84.80		5,510.72

7/12/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		411.47	5,099.25
7/18/2024		Deposit (Hamburg fine & printing revenue)	172.80		5,272.05
7/18/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		651.92	4,620.13

Final Balance: \$4,620.13

Northwest Private Account - Checking					
Date		Transaction	Deposit	Payment	Balance
5/23/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	716.44		3071.53
5/23/2024	3508	Stephanie Molnar (Reimbursement for program supplies Lake Shore summer reading prizes and scavenger hunt)		93.47	2978.06
5/23/2024	3509	BJ's Wholesale Club Inc. (membership for Hamburg and Lake Shore)		85.00	2893.06
5/23/2024	3510	ULINE (Vacuum for Lake Shore)		537.97	2355.09
5/30/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	191.97		2547.06
5/30/2024	online	Amazon (laminare sheets, mouse pads and plastic bags for crafts)		143.46	2403.60
5/31/2024	online	Amazon (Book Repair supplies)		48.51	2355.09
5/31/2024		Northwest paper statement fee		5.00	2350.09

6/13/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	312.36		2662.45
6/12/2024	3511	Brian Hoth (Ink for office printer)		212.36	2450.09
6/13/2024	3512	Mark Jones (Hamburg Cornet Band Program at Hamburg Library)		100.00	2350.09
6/20/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	154.24		2504.33
6/20/2024	3513	Laurie Obrochta (Reimbursement for Blue program - Happy 150 th Birthday to Hamburg)		154.25	2350.08
6/26/2024	3514	Fowler's Chocolates (Fundraising candy for Hamburg & Lake Shore)		756.00	1594.08
6/26/2024	on-line	Amazon (Craft supplies for Lake Shore, filament tape for book repair and tape dispensers for Hamburg and Lake Shore)		76.21	1517.87
6/26/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	832.21		2350.08
6/28/2024		Northwest Bank (June paper statement fee)		5.00	2345.08
7/2/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	187.27		2537.35
7/2/2024	3515	Brian Hoth (Reimbursement for Scavenger Hunt prizes Hamburg Library)		164.88	2372.47
7/2/2024	3516	Laurie Obrochta (Reimbursement summer reading)		22.39	2350.08
7/12/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to	393.28		2743.36

		Checking for bills)			
7/12/2024	online	Amazon (Wooden paper organizer, 3-tier heavy duty storage shelving and laminating pouches)		344.77	2398.59
7/12/2024	online	Amazon (Book Repair supplies)		48.51	2350.08
7/16/2024	online	Amazon (Koala Kare Baby Changing station for Men's room & Coin envelopes for seed share and supplies for cookbook club)		397.40	1952.68
7/18/2024		Deposit (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)	397.40		2350.08

Final Balance: \$2350.08

Northwest Private Account - Savings					
Date		Transaction	Deposit	Payment	Balance
5/23/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Book Sale + Donation Box)	125.75		33354.93
5/23/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		716.44	32638.49
5/30/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Eastern Copier)	172.00		32810.49
5/30/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Donation Box)	25.00		32835.49
5/30/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		191.97	32643.52
5/31/2024		Northwest interest, May	0.28		32643.80

5/31/2024		Northwest paper statement, May		5.00	32638.80
6/6/2024		Deposit (Lake Shore Book sale & Donation Box May)	112.25		32751.05
6/6/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Book Sale)	93.90		32844.95
6/12/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		312.36	32532.59
6/13/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Donation Box)	20.00		32552.59
6/20/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Book Sale + Donation Box)	103.00		32655.59
6/20/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		154.24	32501.35
6/26/2024		Deposit (Lake Shore Eastern Copier April & May)	41.75		32543.10
6/26/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Eastern Copier and Donation Box)	57.40		32600.50
6/27/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		832.21	31768.29
6/28/2024		Interest (Northwest Bank Interest June)	0.27		31768.56
6/28/2024		Northwest paper statement Fee June		5.00	31763.56
7/2/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Book Sale + Donation Box)			31763.56
7/2/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		187.27	31576.29
7/11/2024		Deposit (Lake Shore Book sale & Donation Box June)	224.53		31800.82

7/18/2024		Deposit (Hamburg Book Sale + Donation Box)	115.75		31916.57
7/18/2024		Withdrawal (Transfer from Savings to Checking for bills)		397.40	31519.17

Final Balance: \$31,519.17

Transactions were routine over this period. Expenses for the summer reading program and the big Bluey 150 year Hamburg Birthday Bash as well as the Astronomy Night and Hamburg Cornet Band. Purchases were made to assist with organization of the staff work area including a paper storage unit and cabinet storage units. The baby changing unit for the men's restroom at Hamburg was damaged and in need of replacement.

Proceeds from Book Sale, Candy Sale and mugs: 5/17/2024 -7/17/2024 = \$671.15